



The Early Childhood Education pathway will address a skill set necessary to teach students ranging in age from infancy through eight years (grade three) depending on the school system and regulations.

This pathway is targeted for individuals preparing for careers related to early childhood education.

Students could also be eligible for Kentucky's Tech-Ready Apprenticeship program. Apprentices earn wages through on-the-job training at a child care center before, during, and/or after school hours. Apprentices transition into a full-time position after graduation.

College & Careers Options

- Early Childhood Educator
- Psychologist
- Nanny
- Pediatrician
- Midwife

Courses

Early Lifespan Development (200223) - Grades 9-11

Learn

Describe human growth and development

Compare and contrast prenatal development

Identify factors that promote growth in children

Identify health and safety issues for children

Engage

HHS preschool program

Real care baby simulation

Flowerpots/Families project

Children's book project

Childhood Development Services I (200261) - Grades 10-12

Learn

Explore philosophies of child development theorists.

Explain procedures for caring for a child under different circumstances

Identify records and tools for assessing child development

Analyze a daily schedule for children in group care.

Engage

HHS Preschool Program

Work experience at local preschools/daycares

First Aid/CPR training

Industry certifications

Childhood Development Services II (200262) - Grades 11-12

Learn

Identify legal requirements of opening a childcare center

Explore effective communication with parents and guardians

Identify community resources available to use at a child care facility

Engage

HHS Preschool Program

Work experience at local preschools/daycares

Write age appropriate lesson plans

FACS Essentials OR Co-op Early Childhood Education (Choose 1)

FACS Essentials (20113)

HHS Preschool Program

Food Labs - Individual items and meals

Interior design space planning project

Co-op: Early Childhood Education (20021)

Receive work experience

Integrate classroom studies with work experience

Exposure to facilities and equipment